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In re Application of
Linlin Chen et al.
Application No. 09/931,268
Filed: August 16, 2001
Attorney Docket No. 291958183US

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:DECISION NOTING JOINDER OF
:INVENTOR AND PETITION UNDER
:**37 CFR 1.47(a) DISMISSED AS**
:INVOLVING MOOT ISSUES :

A petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) was filed March 5, 2002 (certificate of mail date, February 19, 2002) and was dismissed in a decision mailed May 3, 2004.

In response, papers filed on June 14, 2004, in reply to the "Decision Refusing Status Under 37 CFR 1.47(a)" mailed May 3, 2004, included copies of the letter forwarding complete copies of the application, as filed, to joint inventor Lyndon W. Graham and a declaration signed by the previously non-signing inventor, Lyndon W. Graham, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63.

In view of the joinder of the inventor, further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is unnecessary.

The renewed petition filed June 14, 2004 is **dismissed** as involving moot issues.

This application does not have any rule 1.47(a) status and no such status should appear on the file wrapper. This application need not be returned to this office for any further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a).

This application will be forwarded to Technology Center 1753 for continued examination, in due course.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision should be directed to the undersigned Petitions Attorney at (703) 305-4497.

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